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In step for Parents Weekend

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From left, Midshipman Candidates Charles Kirchner, Michael Maher and Grebb Nolan pass the Naval Academy Preparatory School (NAPS) emblem outside Nimitz Hall, Naval Station Newport, as they head for class this week. This is NAPS' Parents Weekend and several activities are planned. Story, Page 3.



Fall Festival draws crowd

Naval Station Newport's first All for Fall Festival draws about 400 for fun and games at Carr Point Recreation Area.

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USNS Henson maps sea floor

The USNS Henson undertakes its first non-military assignment: mapping the ocean floor of the Continental Shelf.

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50 compete in Duathlon

About 50 competitors run 3.1 miles and bike 10 miles in Naval Station Newport's first Duathlon on Burma Road.

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Ron Fontaine/U.S. Navy photo

STARBASE-ATLANTIS Newport instructors Andreilino Alix and Pat Rossoni pilot a simulator used by military and commercial pilots at computer stations in their Perry Hall, Naval Station Newport, classroom.

Starbase-Atlantis to target 5th grade with math, science

By JOY CHRISTMAS

NAVSTA Public Affairs Staff

It's common to see military personnel attending classes in one of the many schools at Naval Station (NAVSTA) Newport.

It is unusual, however, to see a class of fifth graders.

Beginning next week, the Navy sponsored Starbase-Atlantis program will commence instruction in spaces in Perry Hall. Coordinated by Commander, Naval Education and Training Center, the community outreach program is one of 49 programs in operation throughout the country.

The curriculum, taught by Department of the Navy (DoN) personnel, is designed to enhance interest in math, science and technology with hands-on activities for youths that are both enriching and fun. The Starbase-Atlantis Newport program is the 13th to operate on a Navy installation.

"It's designed to keep the kids interested in math and science and keep them inter-

ested in school," said Pat Rossoni, one of two instructional systems specialists and certified to teach kindergarten to Grade 12 and adult education. "They'll get to apply their skills to real life in a number of different ways."

The program incorporates 25 hours of classroom instruction over a five-week period. All materials meet all state curriculum standards and works

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— **Andreilino Alix**
Starbase-Atlantis instructor

to reinforce the lessons being taught by their elementary school teachers in their primary classroom.

Lessons also serve to strengthen team-building skills and self-esteem as the students work independently and as groups.

Co-instructional systems specialist Andreilino Alix, said the individual computer stations complete with joy sticks and simulation equipment

take on the perspective of computer games.

"The classroom is very arcade-like," said Alix, who is certified in elementary education and holds school principal certification. "It keeps them very interested."

Some of the activities include hands-on experiments, manning a car-sized computerized F-18 flight simulator, building a rocket to launch and field trips to such places as the bowling alley, Naval War College Museum, and bridge trainers at the Surface Warfare Officers School.

Every activity they do they will be able to apply math and science skills, said Rossoni.

Navy personnel will also assist as speakers, mentors and volunteers with special project and chaperones to field trips.

The first class will include students from the Cranston-Calvert School in Newport. Rossoni and Alix said plans are moving forward to include fifth grade classes from all local school districts.

Navy joins march for Columbus Day

Naval Station Newport will be well represented in the annual Columbus Day Parade, Monday, Oct. 11, at noon through downtown Newport.

The parade is the finale of the 10th annual Newport Festa Italiana.

Among local high school bands, marching units from Navy Newport will include 40 students from Officer Training Command-Newport which includes the Broadened Opportunity for Officer Selection and Training, the Seaman to Admiral 21 program and Naval Science Institute; plus color guards from the Marine Corps Detachment and the Richard D. De Wert Medical

Clinic (NACC).

The parade will start from St. Joseph's Church on Broadway and proceed to Thames Street, south on America's Cup Avenue, to Memorial Boulevard west, then east to the Christopher Columbus statue where a ceremony will be held.

Other ethnic events this weekend include a free Italian Festival in the Park on Saturday, Oct. 9., from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Touro Park, Bellevue Avenue.

On Sunday, an *Operatic Arias with the Operartisi* is scheduled for Ocre Court at Salve Regina University.

NAVSTA employees spared RIF action

In a Transition Team update brief to Naval Station (NAVSTA) Newport employees in Building 1112 on Wednesday, it was announced that no NAVSTA employees were being separated under the public-private venture Reduction In Force (RIF) action effective Oct. 31.

According to Karen Peckham, employees who were originally scheduled to be separated have been placed and/or retained through reassignment actions.

According to Ken Potter, Human Resources Office, Gro-

ton, the RIF results from the Public Works Department Commercial Activities Study showed there are 26 employees, mostly from the Public Works Department, who are facing separation.

However, he said, there are at least 21 unused vacancies that management intends to fill through promotions and reassignments in order to decrease the number of separations.

The team is optimistic that if any separations are required they will be minimal.

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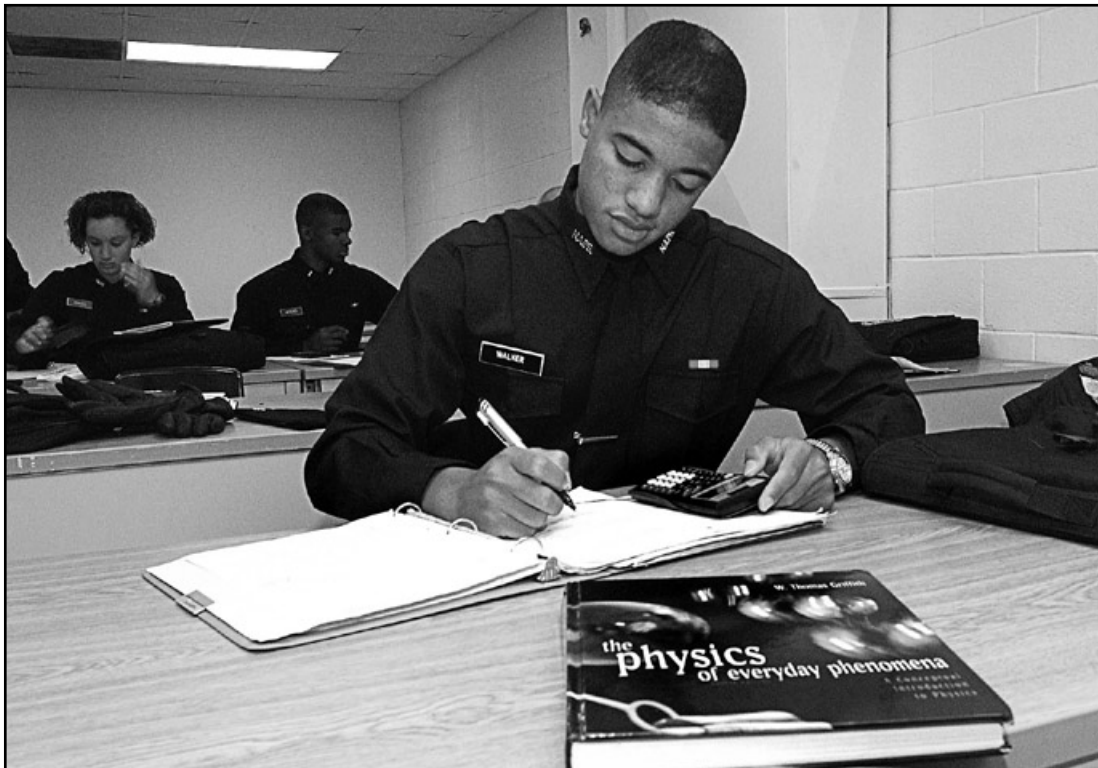
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Midshipman Candidate Michael Walker, Naval Academy Prep School, goes over his notes in physics class in Callagan Hall, Naval Station Newport.

Parents return to Navy Prep

By LT. J.G. J. JOHNSON

NAPS Public Affairs Officer

Twelve weeks ago, a mixture of high school graduates and prior enlisted personnel from the fleet converged at Kay Hall for indoctrination into the 88th class to attend the Naval Academy Preparatory School.

The NAPS Class of 2005 was immediately put to the test both physically and mentally with a barrage of military training and physical activities over a four week long indoctrination period. With the com-

mencement of classes in mid-August, the candidates were thrust into a rigorous academic curriculum, including calculus, chemistry, English composition, and physics.

Between academics, athletics, military training, inspections, and physical readiness tests, the candidates have learned a myriad of skills, the least of which, a critical understanding of time management.

For many, the past several months have marked the first extended separation from parents and loved ones, while seasoned fleet veterans have

made their way around the world, served in Iraq, or have already experienced life away from home.

Parents' Weekend provides the candidates an opportunity to reunite with loved ones and it gives the parents a glimpse of the changes that have begun to reshape their sons and daughters.

The activities begin today with a short Captain's Call address to the parents in Kay Hall at 12:45 p.m. by Capt. Charles A. Hautau, Command-

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SIGNING PPV HOUSING LEASE — Capt. William C. Reed, Deputy/Chief of Staff, Naval War College, signs a new 12-month lease with GMH Military Housing, the private-public venture (PPV) contractor, for his Navy family housing unit.

Lease signing were held this week at Greene Lane Community Center and Ft. Adams Community Center. They are specifically written for Navy families, containing clauses for early terminations due to PCS orders of TDY in excess of 90 days.

Anyone who missed these dates may call GMH at 846-8877.

PHC Bob Inverso/U.S. Navy photo

USS Mahan tests new sonar system

By RICHARD ALEXANDER

Navalog editor

The guided missile destroyer USS Mahan, which arrived at Pier Two on Sept. 28, is helping the Naval Undersea Warfare Center (NUWC) Division, Newport, test an experimental sonar system.

The sonar on the destroyer, homeported in Norfolk, Va., has been modified to allow minesweeping in shallow water or littorals, a NUWC public affairs office spokesman said.

"Starting Sunday (Oct. 3) the ship carried out sonar pings right at Pier Two. Then later in the week was deployed in Narragansett Bay to test while underway," said Gary Steigerwald. The ship will finish up Oct. 10.

Simulated mine shapes will be placed in the sea floor for detection.

Steigerwald said the contract is a follow-up from two years ago on modifications to DDG sonar, the AN/SQS-53C. The test involves transmitting two different frequencies at the same time to generate a narrow transmission beam.

The Department of the Navy said the tests will not affect historical sites or shipwrecks, marine habitat, or resident or transient fish populations. Testing will cease if marine mammals such as harbor seals or sea turtles enter the ship's test area.

The Navy said the sonar sounds generated could have physiological effects on swimmers or scuba divers, if any, in the area.

Although the whole naval pier area is within a restricted zone approved by the Army Corps of Engineers, precautions will be taken to ensure unauthorized persons stand clear, the Navy said.



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PORT OF CALL— Port Operations Sailors secure the visiting guided missile destroyer USS Mahan to Pier Two last Thursday morning. The ship is in Newport waters for sonar testing.

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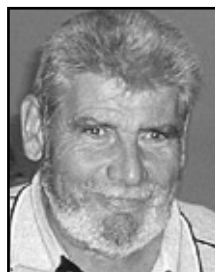
(Be encouraged by the hope of Christ - John 6:35)

Bravo zulu



Lisa Boiani/PWD photos

STANLEY Kokoszka, a 25 year-civil servant, poses with his wife at the retirement party for 16 Public Works Department employees on Sept. 28.



FOND FAREWELLS — Dennis Nine, left, and Richard Gauthier, center, retired after 19 years. Nine was a Public Works insulator and Gauthier was a boiler plant operator. Joseph Cordeira, right, a crane operator for public works, logged 21 years in civil service.

Farewell party given to 16 at Public Works

More than 100 persons turned out for a farewell party on Sept. 28 for 16 Public Works Department employees who accepted financial incentives under the Voluntary Separation Incentive Program (VSIP) from the Department of Defense, Lisa Boiani, administrative officer, said.

The party was held in Building A-63 and the menu included hot dogs, hamburgers, music and cake.

The retirees received retirement certificates, a key chain and a t-shirt with the Public Works logo on it.

The employees, with federal service ranging from 17 to 35 years, were:

Gerald Martel, 35 years, high voltage electrician

Thomas Collum, 34 years, insulator

Ronald Walls, 32 years, Waste Water Treatment Plant opera-

tor leader

Earl Dalton, 26 years, Boiler Plant supervisor

Stanley Kokoszka, 25 years, carpenter

Harold McIntosh, 25 years, carpenter

Dennis Poitras, 23 years, motor vehicle operator

Roger Berube, 22 years, maintenance worker

Jason Cord, 22 years, motor vehicle operator

Alfred Dubiel, 22 years, pipefitter

Joseph Cordeira, 21 years, crane operator

Thomas Sousa, 20 years, secretary

Michael Day, 19 years, maintenance worker

Richard Gauthier, 19 years, boiler plant operator

Dennis Nine, 19 years, insulator

Terrance Hutchinson, 17 years, maintenance supervisor.

Naval Command College gets taste of New England

The Naval Command College (NCC) Class of 2005 last month logged its first Informational Program Visit, a five-day trip to familiarize the 49 senior international students with the culture, lifestyle, economy and military infrastructure of the Northeast.

The students left Newport Sept. 14 for Harvard University in Cambridge. The students met and shared lunch with the Harvard Fellows of the U.S. military and listened to a presentation by guest speaker Dr. James Walsh, executive director of the Managing the Atom Project at Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs/JFK School. Dr. Walsh lectured on points from his writings on "Parallels of Non-Proliferation." A question and answer period followed.

After lunch, the tour continued to Booth Bay Harbor, Maine, with a chance to walk around the scenic harbor.

The next day began with a coastal cruise to Bath, Maine, to expose the students to the importance of tourism and lobster fishing to this area.

The Maine Maritime Museum in Bath provided the venue to learn of the importance of shipbuilding along the Kennebec River. Over lunch, Capt. Mike Stanton, Commanding Officer, Supervisor of Shipbuilding in Bath, and representatives of Bath Iron Works, presented briefings of their shipbuilding program.

They gave some insight into the future of private business/government cooperation needed to maintain the military industrial base for future programs.

A tour of the shipyard facilities and PCU Nitze, an Arleigh Burke class destroyer under construction, demonstrated some of the modern technologies that have been adapted to the shipbuilding process and showcased the pride and professionalism of Bath Iron Works.

The busy day concluded with the class enjoying dinner and an evening of camaraderie overlooking Booth Bay.



Naval Command College students, representing the nations of Israel, Romania, the Ukraine, Poland, Canada, Brazil, Mexico, Dominican Republic, Spain and Colombia, take a cruise through Booth Bay Harbor, Maine.

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Let us help control your holiday spending binge

Come to the Fleet and Family Support Center on Wednesday, Oct. 13, from 9 to 10 a.m., to hear suggestions on increasing holiday joy by lowering holiday expenses. Participants will be given some ideas on how they can get through the holidays without getting into debt.

Registration is required and may be made by calling 841-2283.

Fleet and Family Support Center

Get that federal job—The Fleet and Family Support Center is offering this workshop on Wednesday, Oct. 20, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Participants will learn more about the federal employment process, including analyzing and responding to vacancy announcements,

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ing Officer of NAPS, followed by presentations by both U.S. Naval Academy and U.S. Coast Guard Academy admissions personnel.

Parents may watch a pass-in-review of the candidates on Nimitz Field at 2:15 p.m.

At the conclusion, parents and midshipman candidates may meet with instructors in Kay Hall at 3 p.m., before exploring Newport on what is expected to be a beautiful Columbus Day weekend.

Many parents and their officer candidates will attend the 229th Navy Birthday Ball at the Officers' Club tonight.

Parents are invited to attend several athletic events during the weekend.

The soccer team will play Rogers High School on Saturday at 9 a.m. on Nimitz Field, and the football team will take on Lackawanna Community College at 1 p.m.

The volleyball team travels to the Community College of Rhode Island (CCRI) in Lincoln to participate in a tournament that begins at 9 a.m. and continues through Sunday.

The goal of Parents' Weekend is to let the candidates share their experiences in Newport.

developing knowledge, skills and abilities statements, reviewing the application form, and identifying items to include in a federal resume..

Pack lunch, watch movie—

Bring your lunch to the Fleet and Family Support Center on Friday, Oct. 21, from 11:30 a.m. to noon, and view, *Effective Discipline*, from the Active Parenting series. Registration is

not required. Just bring your lunch and enjoy the show!

Identity theft—Come to the Fleet and Family Support Center on Tuesday, Oct. 27, from 5 to 6 p.m., and attend the Identity Theft program. Hear how you can reduce your risk of identity theft and what to do if your identity is stolen.

Registration is required. Call 841-2283.

Which TRICARE option is best for you?



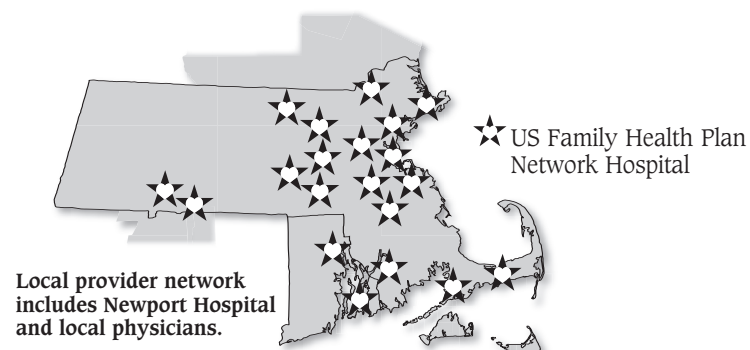
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Date: Wednesday, October 20

Times: 2-3pm (for beneficiaries 65 and older)
6-7 pm (for active duty families and retirees under 65)

Place: Courtyard Marriott Newport/Middletown
9 Commerce Drive, Middletown

Meanwhile, if you have any questions, please call 1-888-815-5510 or visit www.usfamilyhealthplan.org.



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Kelly Conner/MWR photos

A FAMILY and friends join hands in a circle as the Toe Jam Puppet Band plays, background, on Saturday afternoon during the first All for Fall Festival at Carr Point Recreation Area last Saturday afternoon. About 400 adults and children attended.



PUMPKIN PAINTERS— Nikolas Habenicht, 7, son of Keisha Habenicht, marketing director of Navy Federal Credit Union; and Xavier John, 7, son of Hospital Corpsman Second Class Reshaunda Gittens, paint pumpkins together.



ONLY WAY BUT UP – Christa Leshner, 7, daughter of Lt. Cmdr. Lance and Cynthia Leshner, heads for the top of the 25-foot rock climbing wall operated by the Rock Island Mobile Climbing Wall.



CROWD gathers around a roaring bonfire as the evening comes to a close.

What's going on

Navy Ball marks 229th

Naval Station Newport will celebrate the Navy's 229th Birthday with "Sailing the South Pacific," tonight from 6 to midnight at the Officers' Club. All hands are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Entertainment will include music for listening and dancing by Navy Band Northeast and a Polynesian floor show. A professional photographer will also be available.

Tickets prices are: O-4 and above/GS-11 and above, \$35; E-7 to O3/GS-5 to GS-10, \$30; E-6 and below, \$25; civilian guests, \$35. For more information, call 841-4821.

FRIDAY, Oct. 8

- Armed Services YMCA (846-9622)
- Lil' Chefs, 10 a.m. Come make spooky Halloween cookies and edible pumpkins.

- Scrapbooking, 6 p.m. to midnight. Bring your pictures and create a memorable scrapbook. \$10 per person.

- The following movies are being shown free at the NAVSTA Newport Recreation Center beginning tonight: *Home on the Range* (PG); and *Ella Enchanted* (PG).

- Fleet and Family Support Center (841-2283)

- Lunch and Learn Movie Matinee, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Active Parenting Series – Sidestepping the Power Struggle.

- Jack-O'-Lantern Spectacular continues through Oct. 31, 6 to 11 p.m., Roger Williams Park Zoo, Providence. More than 5,000 pumpkins artistically carved and brought to life with interior candles.

- Festa Italiana continues through Monday, citywide, Newport. Four-day celebration of city's Italian heritage. Call 841-0707, or visit for more information

SATURDAY, Oct. 9

- Oktoberfest begins through Sunday, Newport Yachting Center, America's Cup Avenue. An authentic German celebration featuring lively Bavarian music, Alpenblumen dancer, good, biergarten, weingarten, marketplace, om-pah-pah bands and more. Call 846-1600 or visit for more information.

SUNDAY, Oct. 10

- Navy 229th Birthday
- Chapel of Hope Sunday worship services:

- Protestant service, 8 and 10:30 a.m.

- Catholic mass, 9 a.m. and noon.

MONDAY, Oct. 11

- Columbus Day observed
- Navy marching units to participate in Columbus Day Parade, from St. Joseph's Catholic Church to Columbus Statue at Bellevue Avenue and Memorial Boulevard, noon. Part of Festa Italiana.

- Armed Services YMCA (846-

9622)

- Parents' Time Out, 9 a.m. to noon. Let the "Y" care for your child(ren) while you take some time for yourself. \$12.50 for the first child, and \$7.50 for each additional child.

TUESDAY, Oct. 12

- Armed Services YMCA (846-9622):

- Fitness Hour, 8:45 to 10:15 a.m. Childcare available for children over 10 months. \$4 for the first child, then \$1 each additional child.

- Scrapbooking, 9 a.m. to noon. \$7 per person to crop.

- Chalk It Up, 7 to 9 p.m. Learn to art of chalking and make some unbelievable projects. \$10 per person.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 13

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- Parents' Time Out, 9 a.m. to noon. Let the "Y" care for your child(ren) while you take some time for yourself. \$12.50 for the first child, and \$7.50 for each additional child.

- Embellishment Savvy, 10 a.m. to noon. Learn creative embellishment techniques from form squares, eyelets, fibers, button sand more. \$20 per person.

- Kids Sewing #2, 4 to 5:30 p.m. Also, Oct. 13, 14, 20, 21, 27 and 28.

- Adult Beginner Sewing #1, 6 to 9 p.m. A 15-hour class for basic machine sewing techniques, such as hems, set-in sleeves, dart and gathers, zippers and button holes. \$90 plus \$15 for book and supplies.

- Fleet and Family Support Center (841-2283)

- Holiday Spending, 9 to 10 a.m. Increase your holiday joy by lowering your holiday expenses."

THURSDAY, Oct. 14

- Armed Services YMCA (846-9622):

- Fitness Hour, 8:45 to 10:15 a.m. Childcare available for children over 10 months. \$4 for the first child, then \$1 each additional child.

- Parents as Teachers (PAT) Playgroup, 10:45 a.m. to noon. Open to families with children prenatal through preschool to play, interact with other children and parents.

- Stampin' Up, 6:30 p.m. Stamp your own signature tags, bags, boxes, greeting cards and more. \$10 to create three projects; \$5 to stamp.

- Fleet and Family Support Center (841-2283)

- Rebuilding When Your Relationship Ends 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Third of three-part workshop to help adjust to the ending of a love relationship or marriage.

- Anger Management, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Second of six sessions to learn to control your anger and convert it to positive energy.

Upcoming:

Oct. 16 – 14th annual Bowen's Wharf Seafood Festival begins through Sunday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Local restaurants staff stations under tents and serve (sell) their most popular seafood dishes. For more information call 849-2120, or visit www.bowenswharf.com

Oct. 17 – Spooky Zoo Sundays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Roger Williams Park Zoo, Providence. Spook-tacular activities for children, including making masks, building scarecrow, costume contests for spooky prizes and more. Free with regular admission. Also, Oct. 24 and 31.

FFSC to close for one day only

The Fleet and Family Support Center, Building 1260, will be closed on Tuesday, Oct. 19, for strategic planning.

Contact Naval Station Newport Security or the Quarterdeck in case of emergency.

MWR Ski Shop to open Nov. 3

The ski season is just around the corner— are you ready for it?

The Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department Ski Shop will officially open for the winter season on Wednesday, Nov. 3. Ski fittings will be done by appointment only and will begin on Monday, Oct. 18.

There is a one-time fee of \$5 per person or \$12.50 for the family. Walk-in fittings are at the discretion of the Ski Shop manager.

Measurements will be kept on file for the entire season, making it quick and easy to reserve skis.

The Winter Sports Resale Shop offers a variety of products including ski masks, hand, foot and ear warmers, ski gloves and goggles at great, low prices.

Hours of operation will be Wednesday and Thursday, noon to 5 p.m. and Friday, 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call the Ski Shop at 841-2568.

ITT Office opens in new location

The Information, Tickets and Travel Office will reopen this morning at 10:30 in its new location on the first floor at Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department Administrative Offices, Building 1121.

For more information, call ITT at 841-3116.

Reserve officers seek members

The Reserve Officers Association of the United States (ROA) monitors legislative action in Washington, D.C. and state governments.

Its all-service membership of 75,000-plus assures that legislative and benefit needs are represented while you carry out your duty.

Retirees may add their voice by joining Rhode Island ROA's new Aquidneck Island chapter. Check the website at

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www.roa.org.

For membership application and more information, contact retired Capt. Tom Richter at (508) 735-7009 or e-mail: richter-enterprises@aol.com. New and old ROA members are

welcome.

MWR posts hours on Columbus Day

The following facilities will be closed on Monday, Oct. 11: the Officers' Club, Computer Café, Fitness Plus, Pool 307, Vet

Clinic and MWR Administrative Offices.

Auto Skills Shop and the Information, Tickets and Travel Office will be closed Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 12.

The Marina will be open from 8 a.m. to a half-hour before sunset; and Gym 109, noon to 6 p.m.

Volunteers aid military retirees

The Retired Activities Office is located in the Fleet and Family Support Center, Building 1260. The office is staffed with volunteers who can meet with retirees.

Call 841-4089.

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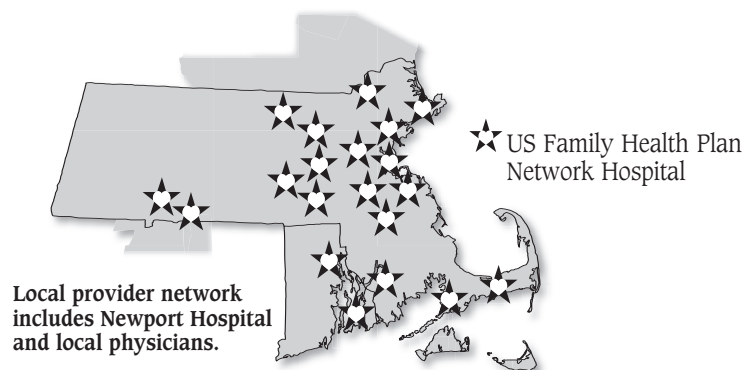
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USNS Henson putting seabed 'on the map'



THE USNS HENSON, a multi-purpose oceanographic survey ship, berths at Pier Two, Naval Station Newport recently. It is now conducting off-shore mapping of the continental shelf for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Ron Fontaine/U.S. Navy photos

By **RICHARD ALEXANDER**
Navalog editor

About a year ago the multi-purpose oceanographic survey ship USNS Henson was slowly plodding up the mouth of the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers around Iraq, mapping the depth of the waterway for the Navy.

Last month, it pulled into Naval Station Newport Pier 2 for a layover on a 120-day project to map the huge continental shelf for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

She is the fourth in the T-AGS 60 class built by Halter Marine, Inc. The fleet's mission is to survey the ocean floor around the world to collect a variety of oceanographic data needed to update nautical charts and create new ones.

The Henson and her sister ships, USNS Pathfinder, USNS Sumner, and USNS Bowditch, are under Military Sealift Command. But have been temporarily assigned to the Naval Oceanographic Office (NAVOCEANO) based at Stennis Space Center, Mississippi.

The ship's master, Marvin Butcher, a retired Navy captain, said the Henson was in the Persian Gulf theater from September to December 2003 mapping the rivers. The mission produced a classified Special Tactical Oceanographic Information Chart (STOIC) for Fleet Command.

"This Continental Shelf project is our first non-military survey project," Butcher said. "We will be four months on, and four months off."

He said before the United States signs the new United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea agreement, the **HENSON**, Page 9



IMAGES FROM THE DEEP — Dr. John Iwachiw, mission commander and senior scientist aboard from the Naval Oceanographic Office at the Stennis Space Center, Mississippi, shows four computer screens with sounding images of the ocean floor.



OCEAN FLOOR MAPPING — Dr. Jim Gardner, right, oceanographic geologist with NOAA, and Dr. Iwachiw show a bathymetry chart of a section of the Continental Shelf.

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State Department wants to know what the seabed looks like from the shoreline to international waters.

Dr. John Iwachiw, Senior NAVOCEANO representative, said the ship is taking sonar readings and creating bathymetric charts 250 to 375 miles offshore from Newfoundland to the tip of the Florida Keys. Depths range from 2,000 to 5,000 meters.

The color bathymetry charts show a whole range of geological features far offshore. Besides water depths from the

littorals to deep sea, the charts show seabed erosion, deep holes, and a range of prehistoric volcanoes some two miles high.

A volcano one mile down may not be a navigational hazard to surface shipping, but to the Navy and its submarines, it's another story.

Dr. Jim Gardner, a professor of oceanographic geography at the University of New Hampshire, said onboard computers can turn the data into three-dimensional images for further clarity.

"They help to visualize the reading," he said. "Some of the seabed erosion between the volcanoes, is unexplained at this point. They could be former river beds."

Butcher said the ship has no designated home port. "Out on the water is our normal homeport," he said. "I've flown out to the ship when it was in Norway, Singapore, Australia, Bahrain and Gibraltar."

The Henson has a contract union crew, employed by Dyn Marines Services, and embarks a scientific party of up to 30. Henson surveys both coastal and deep ocean waters, but the Navy is most interested in shallow water or littoral information in the world's hotspots.

Ship's namesake assisted in North Pole exploration

The USNS Henson is named in honor of the African-American explorer Matthew A. Henson, who accompanied Robert E. Peary when he discovered the North Pole in 1909.

Henson ran away from home at age 11 and went to sea as a cabin boy.

An able and intelligent seaman, he was hired by Peary in the late 1880s and accompanied him on his 1891 Greenland expedition. An expert with sleds and dogs and fluent in the Inuit language, Henson joined Peary off and on for nearly two decades in his quest for the North Pole.



AT THE HELM — Retired Navy Capt. Marvin Butcher, ship's master, explains the automated helm of the USNS Henson. It features a dynamic positioning system which automatically controls headings and speed.

Guidance offered to career Sailors

The Career Options and Navy Skills Evaluation Program (CONSEP), a four-day course, is the newest quality of life initiative launched by the Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC).

CONSEP is a new type of training in which young Sailors are informed, inspired and entertained, while improving their knowledge and ability to manage their career adventure.

It provides them with insight into the various aspects of managing a career, financially, professionally and personally.

The Fleet and Family Support Center is offering CONSEP training for first-term military members (those with one to six years service time) on

Nov. 1 to 4, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. During this course students will:

- Develop a basic personal business plan and statement of purpose to use as a guide for the course.
- Conduct a personal assessment of skills and values.
- Demonstrate skills to organize finances, limit credit use and begin building wealth.
- Identify Navy programs and people that will help them achieve specific career goals.
- Document work experience, conduct a job search and indicate specific actions to take.

Registration is required and may be made by calling the FFSC at 841-2283.

Inspection teams set twin surveys at NACC

Inspection teams from two organizations will conduct surveys this month at Naval Health Care New England, which consists of Naval Ambulatory Care Clinics in Groton, Conn., and Newport, R.I., and Naval Branch Health Clinics at Brunswick, Maine, Portsmouth, N.H., and Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) and the Navy Medical Inspector General (MEDINSGEN) will conduct the joint accreditation survey.

MEDINSGEN will conduct its survey from Oct. 13-22, and JCAHO from Oct. 18-22.

The purpose of the surveys is to evaluate the compliance of Naval Health Care New England and its branch clinics with nationally established Joint Commission and Navy standards.

The survey results will be used to determine whether accreditation should be awarded to Naval Health Care New England.

Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may

request a public information interview with the Joint Commission's field representatives. Information presented at the interview will be carefully evaluated for relevance to the accreditation process.

Requests for a public information interview with JCAHO must be made in writing and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins.

The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Requests should be addressed to "Division of Accreditation Operations, Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, One Renaissance Blvd., Oakbrook Terrace, Ill. 60181.

The Joint Commission will acknowledge requests in writing or by telephone, and will inform Naval Health Care New England of the request for any interview. The hospital will, in turn, notify the interviewee of the date, time, and place of the meeting.

Concerns may also be brought to the attention of the Medical Inspector General by calling 1-800-637-6175.

For further information, contact Cmdr. Stephen B. Symonds at Naval Health Care New England, 401-841-2125.

Officers' Club

Building 95, Phone 841-4821, 846-7987 or 849-3693)

Today: Lunch, 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., first deck, sit-down service.

Tonight: Kick-off the weekend at the Officers' Club, the place to be on Friday nights.

On the Blue Deck (weather permitting) or upstairs at Topside Pub enjoy complimentary homemade beer cheese and crackers also checkout the

NAVSTA dining

nightly drink special.

Saturday: Topside Pub opens at 4 p.m. Full pub menu available until one hour before closing.

Sunday: Come enjoy all-hands breakfast on the Blue Deck or in case of inclement weather, inside at the Officers' Club. \$8.95 for adults and \$4.50 for children (4 to 10), gratuity and beverages not included. Served from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., enjoy your favorite breakfast meals with spectacular views of Newport Harbor.

Monday: Closed for Columbus Day.

Tuesday-Friday: Lunch, 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., on the Blue Deck (weather permitting), sit-down service. Dinner, 4 to one-hour before closing, Pub Menu is available at Topside Pub or on the Blue Deck weather permitting.

Thursday: Lunch, 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., first deck, sit-down service. Dinner, 5 to 7 p.m.

Topside Pub or on the Blue Deck (weather permitting): Lobsters for Happy Hour. One-plus pound boiled lobsters, giant baked potatoes, hot and spicy wings, fresh garden salads, and creamy clam chowder.

Upcoming Events:

The Country Mile Band Dinner Dance Show Friday, Oct. 29, 6 to 11 p.m. features a country buffet. Tickets are \$23.95 per person and are

available at the Gift Shop.

The Abbey Road Dinner-Dance Show on Friday, Nov. 12 from 6 to 11 p.m. and features an Italian buffet. Tickets are \$24.95 per person, include gratuity and are non-refundable.

Tickets are available at the O' Club Gift Shop Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or call using Visa/MC at 846-7987.

Enlisted Lounge

(Recreation Center, Building 656, phone 841-3054)

Hours of operation: The Enlisted Club is open 4 to 11 p.m., Wednesday to Saturday. The CPO Lounge is open Wednesday and Thursday, 4 to 9 p.m. and Friday, 4 to 11 p.m. Pub menu is available Wednesday through Saturday, 4 to 8 p.m. Lunch service is no longer available.

Tonight and every Friday, head over to the Recreation Center, Building 656, from 4 to 6 p.m., and enjoy complimentary chunky salsa and tortilla chips and listen to tunes on the jukebox.

This is the perfect way to unwind after a long week, so mark your calendar, tell your friends and get ready to kick off the weekend at the Recreation Center. For more information, call 841-3054.

Saturday: Open 4 to 11 p.m. Pub menu available from 4 to 8.

Wednesday is "Wild Wings" Night, from 4 to 8, featuring a basket of chicken wings (available three ways), fresh celery and blue cheese dipping sauce for just \$2.50.

Thursday: Open 4 to 11 p.m. Pub menu available from 4 to 8 p.m.

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p.m.; and dinner, 5 to 6:15 p.m.

Sunday: breakfast 8:30 to 10 a.m.; lunch, 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and dinner, 5 to 6:15 p.m.

Call for daily menus and meal charges.

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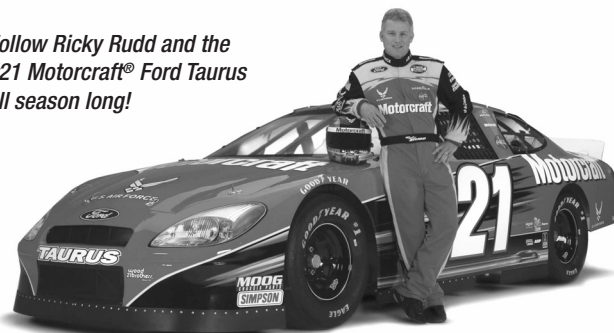
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Leisure

Bowling

(Building 656, 841-4293)

The Seaview Lane Bowling Center schedule for the season has been posted:

Wednesday to Friday, adult bowling leagues;
Saturday, 1 to 3 p.m. youth bowling leagues;
Saturday, 3 to 5 p.m. open bowling available

The 2004-2005 Youth American Bowling Alliance (YABA) league is underway at Seaview Bowling Lanes, Building 656.

Eligible participants must be between age 5 and 21. The fee is \$6 per week. For more information, call Lee Van Buren at 849-5877.

Youth/special fitness activities

(Gym 109, 841-3154)

• **Youth fitness program:** Youth/teens can learn training methods and the importance of a healthy lifestyle. Education lectures will be provided by Naval Ambulatory Care Center staff (NACC). The training program builds confidence and will provide information on:

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Each participant will receive a fitness assessment. The class is open to youth, ages 8 to 14. It is a 13-week class until Dec. 16 from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. Youth Fitness costs \$30 per person.

Register Monday through Friday, 9 to 6 p.m., at Fitness Plus, Building 355 or call 841-1474.

Aerobics/exercise

(FITNESS Plus, Building 355, 841-1474)

Hours of operation are Monday through Friday 5 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.; closed weekends and holidays.

MWR Fitness classes: Stop by Fitness Plus or Pool 307 today and pick up the new fitness schedule.

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Call the Athletic Office at Gym 109 at 841-7196 or Fitness Plus at 841-1474 for more information.

Computer Café

(Building 656, 841-2194)

• Personal computers available five days a week to send and receive email, surf the web, play games — all at no charge. There is a 10-cent charge for printing. Open Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 6 p.m.

BINGO is back at the Recreation Center, Building 656, Thursdays from 7 to 8 p.m. Bingo strips cost just \$1 each (three cards on a strip) and winners receive \$30 cash prizes.

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ITT Office

See the Macy's Parade

Join us for our annual trip to New York City to see the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade on Thursday, Nov. 25. The trip is \$45 per person and includes transportation from NAVSTA Newport at 5 a.m. to NYC and return to NAVSTA Newport at 6 p.m.

Spend five hours in New York as you please, watch the parade, shop or sightsee. For more information, call ITT at 841-3116.

Radio City Christmas Spectacular Show

Our annual trip to see the Radio City Christmas Spectacular Show will be Friday, Dec. 10. Tickets are \$110 per person and include transportation from NAVSTA Newport at 7 a.m. and return to Newport at 11 p.m.

The show is at 3:30 p.m. so there will be time for sightseeing, grab a bite to eat or shopping. You can hold your spot with \$65 deposit, and balance is due by Dec. 1.

For more information, call ITT at 841-3116.

Providence Performing Arts Center tickets at ITT

Information, Tickets and Travel has tickets for the following performances at the Performing Arts Center in Providence:

— *The King & I*, Oct. 21 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$46.75 per person

— *Oklahoma*, Nov. 13 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$46.75 per person.

Meetings

All-service luncheon sponsored by WAVES

WEST WARWICK, R.I. — An All-Service Women's Luncheon, sponsored by WAVES National, Region 8, will be held Nov. 20 from 11:30 to 3 p.m. at Crown Plaza Hotel, West Warwick.

All active duty women and women veterans are welcome to attend the luncheon, designed to make new friends, renew old friendships, and give support to women veterans.

Tickets are \$20, and no tickets will be sold at the door.

Send checks payable to All Service Women's Lunch to Ginny Hanson, USN, DAV; 76 Bliss Road, Newport, R.I. 02840.

Anyone with questions may call Hanson at 846-6932.

Retired enlisted to meet tomorrow

MIDDLETOWN — The next regular meeting of The Retired Enlisted Association, Chapter 79, will be Oct. 9 at 10 a.m. at the Middletown VFW Post, 52 Underwood Lane. Guest speaker will be Lt. Gov. Charles Fogarty of Rhode Island..

Retirees of all uniformed services are invited to attend this meeting which should be of interest to retirees.

For more information, contact President Tom O'Connell at 322-1567



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Sports



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ON THE RUN — Paul Talewsky, center, of Middletown joins about 50 other runners for the first half of Naval Station Newport's first Duathlon — a 3.1 mile run—last Saturday morning from Carr Point through Greene Lane Housing.

Naval Justice School student takes first NAVSTA Duathlon

Morale, Welfare and Recreation Dept.

MIDDLETOWN — About 50 competitors turned out last Saturday morning for Naval Station Newport's first Duathlon. The race started and finished at Carr Point Recreation area and featured a 3.1-mile run through Greene Lane housing and a 10-mile bike ride down Defense Highway to Portsmouth and back, twice.



Galvin

The event was won by Capt. Bob Galvin, a Naval Justice School student, in 44:45.

Other top finishers included:

Andrew Shea, first, boys, ages 13 to 17, 63:35.
Daniel Cembrola, second, boys, ages 13 to 17, 71:31.

Bob Galvin, first overall and first men, ages 18 to 39, 44:45

Jacob Castillo, second, men, ages 18 to 39; 49:33

Bob Lane, second overall and first, men, ages 40 and up, 44:57.

Derik Crotts, second, men, ages 40 and up, 46:24.

Karen Roe, first, women, ages 18 to 39, 54:36



OFF TO THE RACES — Department of Defense employee Bob Lane leaves for his 10-mile bike ride down Burma Road.

Susan Colarco, second, ages 18 to 39, 63:46

Corine Hernams, first, women, ages 40 and up, 57:59.

Anna Gibbons, second, women, ages 40 and up, 63:56

NAPS survives Bridgton scare

By ENSIGN S. BRAZIER

NAPS football staff

BRIDGTON, Maine — The Naval Academy Preparatory School (NAPS) Rams blocked extra point punts and survived a couple of fumbles to win a nail biter against the Bridgton Academy Wolverines, 27-20, last Saturday.

The Rams' season stands at 4-1.

The Wolverines fumbled during the opening kickoff, and Navy linebacker Clint Sovie recovered.

Taking advantage of the possession, NAPS scored on a 16-yard touchdown run by quarterback Joe Taylor, followed by an extra point by kicker Jonathon Tigani.

After exchanging punts with Bridgton, NAPS gained possession of the ball after a 40-yard punt, and a six yard return by cornerback, Jake Scott.

On the third play of a drive started on Bridgton's 44-yard line, fullback Justin Guzman

set up Navy's second score with a 36-yard scamper to the one yard line. Taylor ran the ball in for his second touchdown of the day. The extra point failed to leave the score at 13-0.

Bridgton next drove to within field goal range, but Rams defensive back Ketric Buffin blocked the attempt.

But after the Rams got the ball, Taylor fumbled and the ball was recovered by the Wolverines.

The Wolverines drive started within scoring distance and Bridgton's quarterback scored from one-yard out. But NAPS linebacker Sovie blocked the extra point.

The Rams next possession ended prematurely with another fumble, but the Rams' forced Bridgton to fumble on the very next play.

On the second play of the drive, Taylor completed a 44-yard pass to his receiver Vic Strausbaugh. Fullback Guzman

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NAPS nine struggles, ties with Massasoit

By CMDR. SEAN SULLIVAN

NAPS baseball coach

BROCKTON, Mass. — The Naval Academy Prep School baseball team mustered only a tie in its second round of a double-header at Massasoit Community College on Oct. 2.

In the first game, MCC defeated Navy Prep, 11-1, but the Rams turned things around for the second game and played to a seven inning 7-7 tie.

In Game 1, Massasoit pounded out 14 hits. Brian Montgomery and Dan McGuire combined to limit Navy Prep to seven hits and one run. Tyler Haught contributed two singles and an RBI while Cody Forsythe added two singles for Navy Prep.

"Massasoit is an experienced team and they jumped on us

right away," a Rams coach said. "For our team this was their first college baseball game and that likely contributed to our slow start."

NAPS started strong in Game 2, scoring three runs in the first inning on walks, a two run single by Haught, and a sacrifice fly to center field by Brian Schoenig. Massasoit bounced back to take the lead in the bottom of the third but Haught's RBI single to center in the fourth plated Ryan Kroming with the go ahead run.

Massasoit rallied to take the lead in the bottom of the fourth, 5-4. Navy second baseman Chris Jackson used a hustling and aggressive brand of base running to draw NAPS even in the fifth. Jackson legged out an infield hit, stole second and took third when

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NCC

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The next day of the trip consisted of a visit to Naval Air Station (NAS) Brunswick and the opportunity to interact with the senior officers of the naval patrol reconnaissance aircraft community. The students toured a P-3 aircraft, were shown the training facilities at NAS and the Patrol Wing and the new hangars under construction.

The class had lunch with the senior military leadership of NAS Brunswick and Patrol Reconnaissance Wing Five.

On Friday morning the class visited Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in Boston where they received executive level briefings describing the Ocean Engineering Department at MIT and provided feedback to naval officer

graduate students as they described their U.S. Navy strategic research projects on-going at MIT. In the afternoon, NCC visited USS Constitution, "Old Ironsides."

The class ended the evening at the USS Constitution Museum with a reception hosted by the NCC. Rear Adm. Jacob Shuford, President of the Naval War College, attended the event and spoke of the importance of international cooperation and the professionalism of NCC Class 2005.

On the last day of the visit, the students' families joined them in a tour of historic Boston, ending at famous Quincy Market.

The students returned Sept. 18.

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the catcher overthrew second. Jackson hustled in with the tying run when a pitch got away from the Massasoit catcher.

NAPS took the lead in the top of the seventh when Josh Ruggles walked and stole second. Scott Hartman was hit by a pitch. Forsythe moved the runners to second and third with a ground out. Kroning followed with a clutch two-out two-run double to left to give NAPS a two run lead.

But in the bottom of the seventh, Massasoit rallied to tie the game despite superb defensive plays in the

field. Massasoit's McGuire hammered a ball off the left center field fence but Haught's throw to NAPS firstbaseman Forsyth and his relay to catcher Jack Ferrick's who blocked home plate while making the tag to cut down the potential tying run. Paul Daufenbach's diving catch in right field and accurate throw could not cut down McGuire at home on a sacrifice fly. Tad Hopkins followed with a RBI single which tied the score and 7-7.

NAPS plays Dean College this Saturday in a Parents Weekend doubleheader.

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man ran the ball in from eight yards out, and the extra point was good.

Starting the second half, Taylor completed a 30-yard pass to running back Shun White.

Three plays later, Taylor was intercepted by the Wolverines defense.

On the Wolverines' first possession of the second half, they had numerous long runs of 15, 18 and 27 yards.

Their drive ended with a one-yard touchdown by their quarterback. The Wolverines attempted a two-point conversion, but the pass play was intercepted by linebacker Jack Gill.

The Rams drive ended with a fumble to give the Wolverines possession once again.

The Wolverines put together a ten-play drive, only to be intercepted by Buffin on the 11th play. He returned the interception for 20-yards.

NAPS went three plays and out on this possession. Tigani finished the drive with a 21-yard punt.

The Wolverines opened the fourth quarter with a balanced offense, and their running back finishing the 47-yard drive with a two-yard touchdown

run. Once again, the attempted two-point conversion failed.

The Rams took over on the 15-yard line and on the sixth play, running back Karlos Whitaker scored with a spectacular 51-yard dash to the end zone. The extra point was good.

Bridgton's next drive started on the 35-yard line and on the fifth play of the drive, the Wolverines were intercepted by Rams defensive back Casey Nichols.

The Rams gained possession on the three-yard line, but on their first play were sacked for a safety.

During the next drive Bridgton's running back ran for 75-yards before being tackled from behind.

But the Wolverines continued to march all the way down to the Rams' 14-yard line. Their hopes were crumbled when they went for the first down on their fourth down and seven yards. Cornerback Jake Scott broke up a pass play, and on their first down, the Rams took a knee to end the game.

NAPS returns to Nimitz Field tomorrow for Parents Weekend to face off with Lackawanna Junior College. Game time is 1 p.m.

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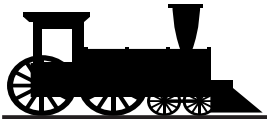
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GREAT LAKES, Ill. (NNS) — The Navy has postponed its previously scheduled Seaman-to-Admiral 21 (STA-21) selection board as a result of the impact of Hurricane Ivan aboard Naval Air Station Pensacola and surrounding facilities.

A NAVADMIN released by Vice Adm. A.G. Harms Jr., Director of Naval Education and Training, stressed that STA-21 applications and records are intact. There is no need to resubmit applications, and new applications will not be accepted.

Dr. C.J. Stein directs the STA-21 program and said the program is continuing to get back up to speed.

The board results are expected to be published no later than the end of November.

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SEALs linked to detainee abuse

SAN DIEGO (NNS) — Three Sailors attached to Naval Special Warfare Command face disciplinary action based on evidence obtained during an ongoing investigation into alleged detainee abuse in Iraq from October 2003 to April 2004.

The charges under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) against the three Sailors include: Failure to Report Abuse to Superior Authorities (UCMJ Art. 92), Dereliction of Duty (UCMJ Art. 92), Maltreatment of Detainees (UCMJ Art. 93), Assault (UCMJ Art. 128), Aggravated Assault with Intent to Cause Death or Serious Bodily Harm (UCMJ Art. 128), Conduct Unbecoming a member of the U.S. military (UCMJ Art. 133), Obstruction of Justice (UCMJ Art. 134), and Assault with a Dangerous Weapon (UCMJ Art. 128).

The dates for any disciplinary hearings have not yet been set. The Naval Criminal Investigative Service investigation remains open.

The three Sailors charged are in addition to four Sailors charged Sept. 2. This brings the total to seven.



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MUSTANG ADVANCES — Beverly Hoard, right, places the new cover on her daughter, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Bonnie Hoard, during commissioning ceremonies aboard the battleship Massachusetts in Fall River, Mass., last Friday. The 'mustang,' a former chief machinery repairman, has reported to CWO Indoctrination Course in Pensacola, Fla.

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